## BUREAU OF CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION

[Docket No. CFPB-2023-0004]

**Agency Information Collection Activities: Comment Request** 

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comment.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (Bureau or CFPB) is requesting to extend the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB's) approval for an existing information collection titled "Generic Information Collection Plan for Surveys Using the Consumer Credit Panel" approved under OMB Control Number 3170-0066.

**DATES:** Written comments are encouraged and must be received on or before [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE *FEDERAL REGISTER*] to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments, identified by the title of the information collection, OMB Control Number (see below), and docket number (see above), by any of the following methods:

- Federal eRulemaking Portal: https://www.regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- *Email: PRA\_Comments@cfpb.gov*. Include Docket No. CFPB-2023-0004 in the subject line of the email.
- Mail/Hand Delivery/Courier: Comment Intake, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau
  (Attention: PRA Office), 1700 G Street, NW, Washington, DC 20552. Because paper
  mail in the Washington, DC area and at the Bureau is subject to delay, commenters are
  encouraged to submit comments electronically.

Please note that comments submitted after the comment period will not be accepted. In

general, all comments received will become public records, including any personal information provided. Sensitive personal information, such as account numbers or Social Security numbers, should not be included.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information should be directed to Anthony May, PRA Officer, at (202) 435-7278, or email: *CFPB\_PRA@cfpb.gov*. If you require this document in an alternative electronic format, please contact *CFPB\_Accessibility@cfpb.gov*. Please do not submit comments to these email boxes.

## **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title of Collection:* Generic Information Collection Plan for Surveys Using the Consumer Credit Panel.

OMB Control Number: 3170-0066.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Individuals and households.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 18,000.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 9,000.

Abstract: The Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act charges the Bureau with researching, analyzing, and reporting on topics relating to the Bureau's mission including consumer behavior, consumer awareness, and developments in markets for consumer financial products and services. To improve its understanding of how consumers engage with financial markets, the Bureau has used the Consumer Credit Panel (CCP), a proprietary sample dataset from one of the national credit reporting agencies, as a frame to survey people about their experiences in consumer credit markets. The Bureau seeks to obtain approval for a generic information collection plan for these types of surveys. Surveys conducted under this generic information collection plan will support the Bureau's mission to conduct research in areas related to consumer finance including research to monitor developments in consumers' financial situations, related changes in their use of financial products, and the impacts that these decisions

have on their balance sheets. All research under this plan will be for general, formative, and

informational research on consumer financial markets and consumers' use of financial products

and will not directly provide the basis for specific policymaking at the Bureau.

**REQUEST FOR COMMENTS:** Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the collection of

information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Bureau, including

whether the information will have practical utility; (b) The accuracy of the Bureau's estimate of

the burden of the collection of information, including the validity of the methods and the

assumptions used; (c) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be

collected; and (d) Ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents,

including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information

technology. Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included

in the request for OMB's approval. All comments will become a matter of public record.

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